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### **GOV. EASLEY APPOINTS BRYAN, WATSON, MORRISON AND NORTON TO HISTORICAL COMMISSION**

**RALEIGH** – Gov. Mike Easley has appointed **Mary Lynn McCree Bryan** of Fayetteville, **Harry L. Watson** of Chapel Hill, **B. Perry Morrison Jr.** of Wilson and **Janet N. Norton** of Old Fort to the N.C. Historical Commission.

Bryan is editor of the Jane Addams Papers at Duke University. She serves on the Cumberland County Foundation Board of Directors, the Historic Fayetteville Foundation Board of Directors and the University of North Carolina (UNC) Press Advancement Advisory Board. Bryan received her bachelor's degree in history from the Alabama Polytechnic Institute in Auburn, her master's degree in history from the University of Illinois and her master's degree in business administration from the University of Chicago.

Watson is a history professor and director of the UNC Center for the Study of the American South. He serves on the South Atlantic Regional Humanities Center Advisory Board. Watson received his bachelor's degree in history from Brown University and his doctorate degree in American history from Northwestern University.

Morrison is a principal attorney at Morrison Law Firm PLLC. He serves on the Wilson Country Club Board of Directors and is a member of the N.C. Bar Association and Friends of the N.C. Archives. Morrison received his bachelor's degree in history from University of North Carolina (UNC) at Chapel Hill and his law degree from the UNC-Chapel Hill School of Law.

Norton is the co-founder of Norton Furniture Corporation. She is a member of the Western North Carolina Tomorrow Board at Western Carolina University. Norton previously served on the McDowell County Board of Elections and the McDowell Technical Community College Board of Trustees. She received her bachelor's degree in education from Warren Wilson College.

The commission advises and assists the secretary of the N.C. Department of Cultural Resources. The commission creates rules and regulations for acquisition, preservation and use of cultural materials. There are 15 members on the commission, each serving a six-year term. The governor appoints all members.

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